

March 24, 2000

Mr. Gregg F. Morton
Vice President - Regulatory and Legislative Affairs
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**In Re: Docket No. 2000-0130-C - Application for Approval of Negotiated Agreement between
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and ALLTEL Communications, Inc.**

Dear Mr. Morton:

The Negotiated Interconnection Agreement between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and ALLTEL Communications, Inc. was presented to the Commission for consideration during its Regular Business Session on March 21, 2000.

After consideration, the Commission approved this Agreement since it is consistent with the standards of Section 252 (a) (1) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and since it is not discriminatory and is consistent with the public interest in that it promotes competition.

Consistent with previous Commission Orders, the Commission finds that the terms of this Interconnection Agreement are not to be considered as a precedential standard for other agreements, nor are they binding on any other communications carrier.

Sincerely yours,

James M. McDaniel
Utilities Department

JMM:

C: Mr. Rex Newman